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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Security Committee

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20 August 1979

Minutes
Two Hundred and Twenty-fourth Meeting
Wednesday, 15 August 1979, 1000-1200 Hours
Room 7D32, Langley Headquarters Building

Robert W. Gambino
Chairman
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

25X1A [] Defense Intelligence Agency
25X1A Mr. Merrill T. Kelly, Department of the Army
[] Central Intelligence Agency
[] National Security Agency
Mr. D. Jerry Rubino, Department of Justice
Mr. David Ryan, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Mr. Dennis Southern, Department of the Treasury
Mr. George Weisz, Department of Energy

ALTERNATES PRESENT

Mr. Robert B. Finzel, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Mr. David Humphrey, Department of Treasury
Captain Burton Larkins, Department of the Navy
Lt. Col. Ernest Petersen, Department of the Air Force
Mr. Verne St. Mars, Department of State

ALSO PRESENT

25X1A Mr. Maynard Anderson, Office of the Secretary of Defense
* [] National Security Agency
[] Central Intelligence Agency

*Present for Part of Meeting

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Dr. Philip K. Eckman, Central Intelligence Agency
Mr. Casper Pelczynski, Department of State
Mr. William Randolph, Department of Commerce

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[REDACTED] National Security Agency
[REDACTED], Central Intelligence Agency

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Lt. Col. Richard J. Schoof, Department of the Air Force

[REDACTED] Central Intelligence Agency
[REDACTED] Executive Secretary, Security Committee

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SPECIAL BRIEFINGS

1. The Chairman introduced [] from the DCI's Office of General Counsel, to address the Committee on why it was believed that the Community needed a policy on adjudication of DCID 1/14 investigative results. [] said questions from the oversight committees about the adequacy of our security and the increasing tendency to challenge adverse personnel security determinations were making it necessary for the Community to be able to show that our adjudications were based on a coherent policy and were not arbitrary and capricious. A community adjudications policy, he said, would blunt the potential for criticism inherent in different agencies interpreting the same investigative data in different ways, and would benefit the case of any Community agency taken to court over an adjudicative denial. [] said the draft policy would, in his judgment, provide enough uniformity to enable us to withstand challenges while still permitting flexibility to meet individual agency needs. He noted that litigations over any denials would focus on due process and the availability and use of Community policy mandating essentially the same evaluation of substantially similar investigative data. [] NSA, said they could support the proposal as suggested guidelines but not as binding policy. Mr. Gambino advised that the proposal would be submitted to the DCI for his approval to circulate it to the NFIB for concurrence or comment. He noted that NSA's qualification would be footnoted. []

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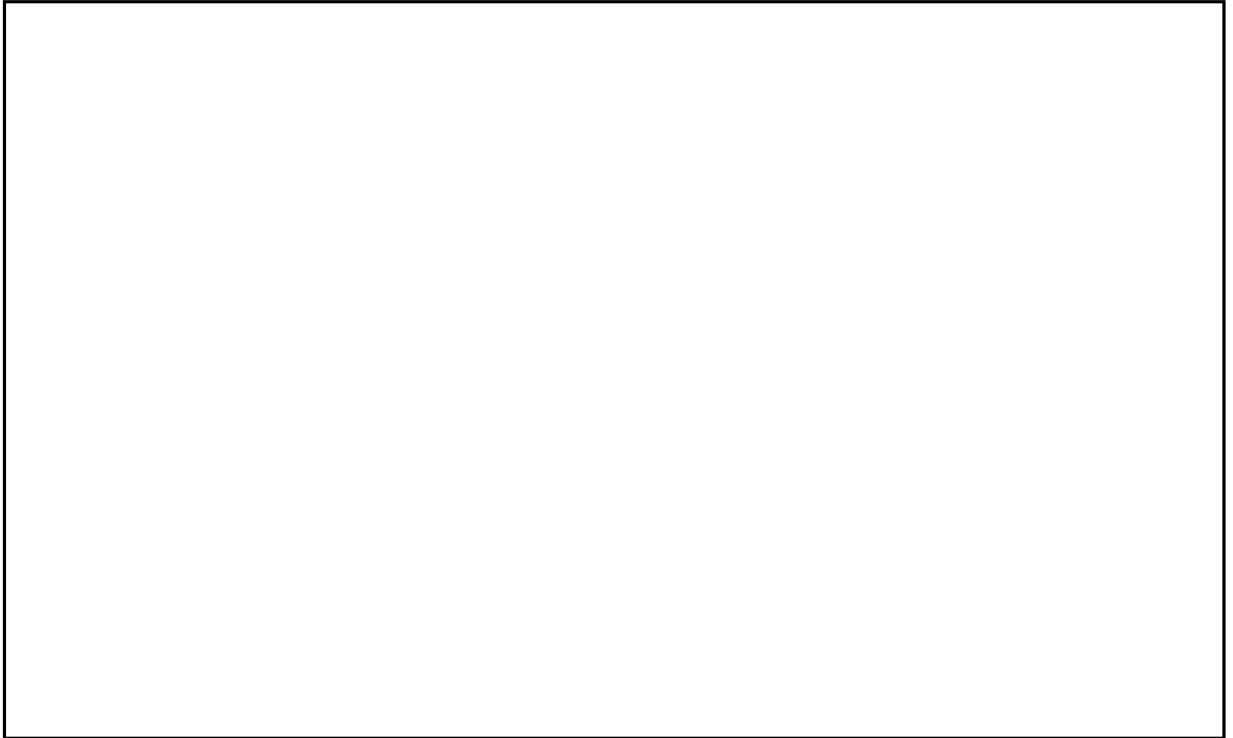
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PRELIMINARY COMMENTS

1. At the Chairman's request, [] briefed the members on recent developments in the proposed APEX System. He noted that objections to the original proposal based on cost, pace, and existing agency prerogatives had led the DCI to direct preparation of an alternative. Director, NSA, objections to the alternative caused it to be withdrawn from scheduled NFIB consideration for possible rewrite. [] a member of the APEX working group said they anticipated completion of the new version during September. []

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2. The Chairman invited members' attention to material provided them on a draft revision of DCID 1/10 and on a proposed format for annual reports by subcommittees and working groups. []

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3. The Chairman noted the proposed policy statement distributed to members and bearing on the exchange of SCI denials information. He said it should satisfy Community needs, and he asked members to give it their personal attention. []

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4. The Chairman advised that the DCI had approved the Committee's proposal to add seven countries to the list of security risk areas in DCID 1/20, and the proposal that this and future changes to the list be published upon DCI approval without NFIB coordination. []

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5. The Chairman expressed his thanks to Mr. Ryan for his diligent and effective support to the Committee as the FBI member. Mr. Gambino wished Mr. Ryan well upon his retirement and in his second career. []

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ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the 18 July 1979 meeting were approved as submitted. [REDACTED]

ITEM 2: Reports of Subcommittee and Working Group Chairmen

a. R&D Subcommittee - Dr. Eckman said a new report will soon be available to provide uniform means of evaluating technical threats. He noted they were planning a review of FY 1980 R&D programs, and that they were seeking a resolution on proposals they had generated earlier bearing on document protection. [REDACTED]

b. Technical Surveillance Countermeasures Subcommittee - [REDACTED] reported that a mike and wire installation had been found in July in the residence of a CIA officer [REDACTED]. He said a full report on it, with good pictures, would be available soon. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Mr. Gambino advised of the President's favorable reception of a letter from the DCI suggesting that Cabinet members be reminded of the need to safeguard sensitive intelligence. Mr. Gambino thanked agencies assisting in this investigation for their timely and thorough responses. In subsequent discussion, it was noted that the Community's willingness to do such time-consuming preliminary investigation could help us in our relations with Justice on leak investigations by showing them that we are willing to bear a substantial part of the burden involved in establishing the facts in such cases. [REDACTED]

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d. Security Awareness Working Group - [] invited members' attention to a paper on security aspects of travel to the 1980 Moscow Olympics, and advised that there were as yet no known applications by Community personnel to attend. Mr. Gambino noted that there had been several recent examples in the USSR of harassment against Americans. []

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e. Security Advisory Group USSR - Mr. St. Mars advised that members of his group would travel to Moscow this fall to evaluate Community security concerns bearing on construction of the new U.S. Embassy and on use of existing U.S. facilities. He said they would also visit U.S. installations in Leningrad and Kiev. He reported

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ITEM 3: Interagency Training Center

[] ITC Director, briefed members on resource needs. He noted that the center had started in 1968 with funding support from several Community agencies, but that CIA had budgeted for ITC costs since shortly after its opening. He stressed that the equipment they are using in training is rapidly becoming obsolete and that some rather expensive replacements would soon be necessary to maintain the usefulness of ITC training. [] identified equipment and facilities needed to bring the center up-to-date and to enable it to satisfy Community requirements for technical countermeasures training. He said the ITC would soon need additional funds to maintain its responsiveness to Community needs. He noted that possible sources included increased funding under the CIA budget; programming for ITC use surplus year-end funds from other Community agencies; and tuition charges for students. Mr. Gambino asked for members' views on

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the tuition charge approach. Mr. St. Mars said State would support the concept, but urged that CIA continue to budget for basic operation of the ITC to ensure its viability during fluctuations in the level of Community use (and attendant tuition payments). In response to a question, [] said they could move promptly to commit for equipment purchase any year-end funds which became available. []

ITEM 4: DCID 1/11 Revision

A draft revision of DCID 1/11 was distributed to members under a covering memorandum requesting concurrence or comments. []

ITEM 5: New Business

[] advised that the DCI had accepted the [] report and sent it to the White House. He said he believed those who had contributed significantly to that effort deserved a commendation of Community character. He asked if members would support a recommendation for commendation, and he volunteered to draft the necessary paperwork. The consensus favored doing so. []

ITEM 6: Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 19 September 1979, at the Langley Headquarters Building for 1000 hours, room number to be determined.

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Executive Secretary

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